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CLERK: I have nothing pending to the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BROMM: Okay, I see no lights to discuss the bill. Senator Thompson, do you wish to close? She waives closing. Members, the question then is the advancement of LB 40 to E & R Initial. All in favor please signify by voting aye, and those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 40.

SPEAKER BROMM: LB 40 does advance. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 69, introduced by Senator Smith. (Read title.) Bill was introduced on January 9, referred to the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee, advanced to General File. At this time, I have no amendments pending, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Smith, you're recognized to open on LB 69.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. This bill relates to the Nebraska Wing of the Civil Air Patrol, the Military Department, and the Department of Aeronautics. Currently, the Civil Air Patrol is based in the Department of Aeronautics, and at the request of that department and the Military Department, the National Guard, they request that the Civil Air Patrol be transferred to the authority, so to speak, of the Military Department. Civil Air Patrol, as outlined in the green copy of the bill, current statute as well, is...the Civil Air Patrol exists: to encourage and aid American citizens in the contribution of their efforts, services, and resources in the development of aviation and the maintenance of aerospace supremacy; to encourage and develop, by example, the voluntary contribution of private citizens to the public welfare; to provide aviation and aerospace education and training; to foster and encourage civil aviation in local communities throughout the state; and to assist in meeting emergencies with in the state. A practical application of the Civil Air Patrol would be a